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Application No.: 09/914,356 Examiner: Gray, J.  
Title: FIBER CAPABLE OF FORMING METAL CHELATE, PROCESS FOR  
PRODUCING THE SAME, METHOD OF TRAPPING METAL ION WITH  
THE FIBER, AND METAL CHELATE FIBER  
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RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.111

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated June 18, 2003, please  
amend the application as follows:

Remarks begin on page 2 of this paper.